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In re application of: Steven G. LeMay, et al.

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Application No.: 09/642,192

Examiner: Steven L. Ashbum

Filed: August 18, 2000

Group: 3714

**Title: GAMING MACHINE VIRTUAL PLAYER
TRACKING AND RELATED SERVICES**

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APPLICANT INITIATED INTERVIEW REQUEST FORM

Commissioner for Patents
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1) David P. Olynick	2) Keith Moore
3)	4)

Proposed Date of Interview: July 23, 2004

Proposed Time: 10 AM

Type of Interview Requested:

Telephone Personal Video Conference

Exhibit to be Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If yes, provide brief description:

ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED					
Issues (Rej., Obj., etc.)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
1) Rejected Claims			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ARGUMENTS TO BE PRESENTED:

Clarify what Walker is teaching. Walker describes in many similar references that the player tracking device is made by Bally's as described in a patent to Raven. Applicant found 21 Walker patents that describe similar gaming machine architectures as cited in the Walker reference (6,113,492) by the Examiner and that also describe that the player tracking device is manufactured by Bally's. As examples, Applicant directs Examiner's attention to Walker (6,311,144 and 6,558,255) and the Raven patent 5,429,361 cited in these references.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on July 23, 2004.

*Note: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01). This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.33(b)) as soon as possible.


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